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MLA Richard Marz, Didsbury Mayor Brian Wittal and MP Blake Richards throw the first shovel full of cold mix, Monday morning, at the ground breaking ceremony for the North Industrial Storm Water Management system.

## Wetland project breaks ground

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Politicians broke ground on a \$6 million wetland project last week that will see a network of trails, ponds and observation decks created near Valarosa Crossing.

"This is thrilling ... a lot of work has gone into getting this going and now we are starting to see the fruits of our labour," said Wild Rose MP Blake Richards.

The wetland, stretched out across 10 acres of land northwest of town, is part of an ambitious storm water management system

funded equally by the municipal, provincial and federal governments.

The first phase started this month and will have Foran Equipment dig out the wetland and construct pipeline to pump outfall from the north industrial area into the ponds. From there, the water will be treated and released into the Rosebud River. In 2011, the town hopes to install a pathway system, additional piping and curbs and gutters before landscaping the area in 2012.

"By the time we finish, there will be natural plants and trees and berries, like Saskatoons and raspber-

ries, for people to pick ... and as the root settle, we hope to see natural species come back into the area," said Brittany Hutton, manager of infrastructure and planning.

"We wanted to create a recreational and learning area the community could enjoy instead of a giant storm water dug out."

The area will also boast educational plaques, viewing decks and about 1.5 kilometres of trail that will link up with Memorial Park.

The plan was to initially build a storm water management system with a large holding pond to help process dirty ditch water

sloshing into the Rosebud River. Town officials later decided to create something a little more aesthetically pleasing that they could model for future developers.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz was on hand during the sod turning ceremony Monday and said Didsbury continues to impress with this 'innovative' and 'unique' system.

"It's really great to be here and see this happen. It's providing jobs, its providing economic development and it's providing the people of Didsbury with an attractive place to live," he said.

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## Didsbury lab service closes 'for now'

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Blood samples collected in Didsbury will be taxed to the Olds Hospital and Care Centre this week as Alberta Health Services temporarily closes its after-hours lab.

The move comes just days after Didsbury's lab staff shrunk by two, prompting the medical superboard to shut down after-hour and weekend services.

"If we kept our on-call lab open it would mean our remaining two technicians would have to work during the day and possibly at night, seven days a week. That's not fair," said Carol Boechler, manager of lab services Calgary rural zone.

"There are other ways to provide patients' services. We need to close this for now."

The contingency plan rolled out last Saturday and is expected to run for nearly a month as Alberta Health Services looks to fill vacant positions.

Nurses and doctors will still be able to draw blood in emergency rooms but instead of having it processed on site, the blood will be sent to the Olds Hospital. The results will be faxed back.

Staff couriers will be waiting in the parking lot until staff levels are back to normal, Boechler added.

"We are also looking into getting an iSTAT so staff can run their own tests."

The hand-held blood analyzer would be able to help staff probe for heart attacks, blood gases and sodium - some of the key emergency tests done at the Didsbury Hospital.

But the machine hasn't yet arrived and staff still need to be trained to use it.

"I think everything has been well thought out and in place so we won't have any patient safety concerns," said Dr. Val Congdon, clinical department head for rural medicine.

Dr. Congdon made the call to local emergency physicians last Tuesday to tell them about the new plan and says they are willing to "work together to get through this."

"Are the physicians thrilled with this? Absolutely not, but they made a commitment to work with staff to provide the best care they can," she said.

Dr. Ash Jaffer, of the Didsbury Medical Clinic, wrote to the Didsbury Review that he's concerned the temporary loss of the on-call lab services will "severely (compromise) emergency patient care in our community."

"It was a benefit to the diagnosis and treatment of patients" to have someone that could come in immediately to do vital tests, he wrote.

Dr. Andrew Jackson, Silverfern Medical Clinic, agrees there is some concern around the contingency plan but mostly because it hasn't been put into play yet.

No one is sure how it will pan out. The system may have to be adjusted day to day.

"Ninety per cent of the time we don't need after-hours lab assistance ... and even if we wait until morning, most patients wouldn't be put at risk," he said.

There could be some delays in the blood work that is done but hopefully everything is completed by the 30-minute turnaround time, he said.

"Our top concern is our patients. They are paramount. So we will be watching the situation very closely."

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# Cook hungry for new school challenge

BY ANDREW WILD  
Review Staff

An Olds High School student will be finishing up his high school career south of the border thanks to a prestigious scholarship.

Curtis Cook, who is winding up his Grade 11 year at OHS, will spend the next two years studying at the United World College USA in Montezuma, New Mexico after receiving one of eight Grant MacEwan United World College Scholarships, valued at \$70,000 apiece.

An honours student in the Academic Team program at the school, Cook also participates in a number of school and community sports, along with volunteering with student council as the student treasurer.

He said a postcard from a former OHS student from the UWC school in Italy inspired his interest in the program.

"Peter Warrington, who is from Olds and is a student at the UWC in Italy ... sent a postcard back and I saw the postcard hanging up in the AT room and said 'hey, I want to do that,'" Cook explained. "The aspect of students from a whole bunch of different countries coming together sounded prestigious to me."

It wasn't just the chance for an interesting personal experience that is driving the rural Didsbury resident. He has a definite vision of what his future holds, including focusing on a medical career.

"I want to go to university in the United States and UWC makes that really easy for you and all international students," Cook said. "I really like Johns Hopkins (University) because I want to become a neurosurgeon and they have a really good neurology program."

For the time being, he's focusing on courses regarding

business and economics to facilitate opening his own practice in the future. As well, he's gathering as much information as possible from UCW alumni, second-year students and any and every detail he can about what awaits him when he heads to New Mexico in August.

For one of his OHS teachers, there's no doubt that Cook will be a top-end student at UWC.

"He's the type of student who always wants to know more, who is so engaged that the learning does not stop with the classes," suggested Marilyn Wallace, who teaches in the AT program at the high school. "His incredibly focused attitude not only makes him an excellent scholar, it also endears him to sports coaches. He plays every school sport offered, as well as many community ones."

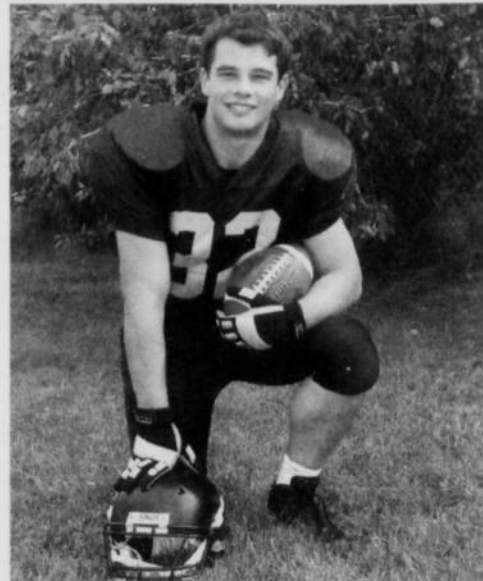
Cook cites football, lacrosse and basketball as his favourite sports, however he'll only have an opportunity to play basketball and soccer at his new school.

"I'm definitely going to miss playing football," Cook lamented. "But, I already talked to a bunch of people and they're bringing their lacrosse sticks so I'll be bringing mine too."

Overall, there won't be much that he misses because of his forward-looking attitude. While he plans to stay in contact with his OHS friendship base, he doesn't feel he's missing anything in terms of his graduation.

"Well, in two years I'll be graduating with my new friends at UWC, so I don't think I'll miss anything there," Cook said.

UWC is a British-based foundation that comprises 13 locations and has a network of more than 36,000 graduates. The school has locations in Victoria, B.C., the United States, Norway, Italy and Hong Kong.



Curtis Cook

Cook said only five per cent of applicants get interviews and of that, the final eight were chosen.

It's that type of prestige that has him excited.

"Everyone I've talked to has described it as indescribable," Cook said.

## DHS student has designs on art college

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Lyndsay Wasko isn't the type to beat her own drum.

In fact, this student shies away from fanfare, preferring to work behind the

scenes to get things done, said Garth Dagg, principal at Didsbury High School.

Take the sweatshirts graduates are sporting this summer.

She singlehandedly took on design of the logo and spent her spring break help-

ing a teacher silkscreen it onto the clothing.

"She probably saved students a lot of money by doing it herself. I'm not sure people know that," Dagg said.

She also helped design the class of 2010's legacy

stain-glass window that now hangs in the high school foyer.

Wasko, 18, is an artist - always has been - and plans to go into design at the Alberta College of Art and Design next fall. It's no surprise for Dagg, who says she is an "outstanding" art student. Her work is often framed and hung in art classrooms or along the hallways and her work is showcased in the community. She's sent off pieces to fundraisers in Olds and has painted murals for the Knox United Church. This summer she'll be designing a window mural for the library's summer reading program.

"This has always been something I've enjoyed doing ... if I am not drawing something then I'm doodling in the margins," Wasko said.

Her passion for art started in Grade 1 when a simple picture drew a lot of attention.

"I thought 'wow, this is fun ... this is something I can really get good at' and I



Lyndsay Wasko

Wasko, who is also an Average student and musician, hopes to eventually become a designer, creating sets or storyboards for TV.

The bar is set at Pixar Entertainment, though that could take a few years, she admits.

"I like the thought of taking someone's script and being able to turn those ideas into a picture people can enjoy ... I'd be the director of drawn characters or something," she said.

"... It's neat that I'm going to be able to turn my passion for art into a career. Not many people are able to do that."

At last week's graduation ceremony, Wasko took home top recognition for high grades in art and English 30. She also won the Citizenship award.



Tamara Cunningham/Didsbury Review

**WE'RE OUT OF HERE-** 2010 Didsbury High School graduates cheered for new beginnings, Friday, during the DHS grad ceremony. Several awards were handed out that night. Nolan McInnis won Male Athlete of the Year, while Deena Durstling scooped up the Female Athlete of the Year award. Sarah Visser earned All Around Student and Megan Verbeek won Dragon's Code.

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# Didsbury happy with boundary changes

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Finally. A report that 'makes sense.' That was the sentiment of local politicians who caught a glimpse of the new boundary maps from Alberta's Electoral Boundaries Commission, last week.

"We're not looking at something nearly as drastic or dramatic as what they originally proposed so I have no problem with this," said Mayor Brian Wittal.

Councillor Bob Davidson agreed, calling the final report, 'logical and reasonable.'

It's a large change from February's interim report, which proposed dividing this community into two constituencies and carving the region into three unequal parts.

Olds and Sundre were paired off with the newly renamed Rocky Mountain House-Olds riding, while Didsbury rested in between Rocky Mountain House and Carstairs-Rocky View. Everything east of Hwy 2A, including Three Hills, was included in the Innisfail-Red Deer riding.

The map had town officials shaking their heads, wondering why the commission would split an area united by trade and municipal partnerships. It looked as if the

Electoral Boundaries Commission ignored its own requirements to consider "wherever possible, the existing municipal boundaries" or the "common community interests and organizations."

Mayor Brian Wittal worried too what the shuffle would mean for Didsbury when the dividing line – down Hwy 582 – put one half of the community at the tip of one riding and the bottom of another.

"Those are big areas we are a part of and I worry we'll be left out. We are kind of in no man's land," Wittal said, almost five months ago.

"I'm thinking I may have to jump up and down to get an ear and that's not a good thing."

Last March, Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz banded together with politicians from the Rocky Mountain House and Innisfail-Sylvan Lake ridings after hearing discontent from county and municipal representatives, and presented new boundaries to the commission.

"It looks like they took my concerns ... and my recommendations seriously, so I'm happy with this," Marz said, after the boundary commission presented its final report, Thursday afternoon.

"This will keep the small-town, rural flavour of the constituency intact. There weren't a whole lot of changes to

(the status quo)."

The final report has the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills riding mostly remaining intact. It will lose Kneehill County but take in Crossfield, Irricana and Beiseker.

All the communities involved have similar interests. They either run along the Hwy 2A or Hwy 2 corridors or share water lines and trade agreements, Marz said.

"It's a great fit."

The boundary commission emphasized its devotion to hearing people out. After listening to over 100 submissions, they revised boundaries to keep communities intact, rather than following proper quotients. That's what Albertans wanted, they said during a press conference Thursday.

"This report was a result of listening to Albertans and what they had to say ... I think we did that in spades," said Honourable Judge J.M. Walter, the Electoral Boundaries Commission chair.

Across the province, the commission increased seats by four, bringing Alberta's riding total to 87 for the next election. Added were two new ridings in Calgary, one in Edmonton and one in rural Alberta.

Provincial politicians will vote on the commission's recommendations in the fall, though no matter what, the legislature will house 87 seats instead of 83, after the next election.

## Brander steps away from short councillor career

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Incumbent Jason Brander is bowing out of the next electoral race.

The Didsbury resident has been on town council for the last three years and had full intentions of running again in October until he won a work promotion that'll move him to Cochrane this August.

He'll be taking a few years hiatus from politics before looking to get back in at the provincial or federal level. Brander has already been 'talking to a few people' about running a campaign.

Taking it to the next level is a big leap for the once-apathetic voter.

He had little concern over politics and had never voted, when he handed in his papers for a seat on council.

The sudden motivation?

He got tired of sitting back and complaining about the way things were going. Brander wanted to take the future of the town into his own hands.

He earned a seat by acclamation – as all councillors did – three years ago.

During his term, Brander became the voice of the minor hockey league and helped advocate for a better heating system in the Didsbury Memorial Complex. He also sat on the Emergency Services Commission and aided the town in transitioning from Mountain View Regional Services' run ambulances to Alberta Health Services.

Brander likes to think he stood out as someone who spoke his mind and gave it to people straight. He admires politicians like former premier Ralph Klein and former Wild Rose MP Myron Thompson, who told people what they needed to know, rather than what they wanted to hear. He hopes to bring that style of politicking back to

the scene when he runs again at the federal or provincial level next term.

As much as he enjoyed "creating change and helping to mould the future" of this town, the job wasn't without its challenges.

With funding cuts this year, council had to make controversial decisions including 10 per cent water and wastewater utility rate hike and a 3.5 per cent tax increase. Programs, like the Didsbury Youth 360 program were also trimmed from the 2010 budget.

"You are basically on this board of directors for a multi-million dollar corporation and have to make choices people won't always agree with – sometimes we don't even agree with each other," he said.

With the next election race coming up in the fall, Brander says he hopes more people step up to compete for his chair. If he could run with no political experience, so can others, he added.

"Everyone always sits back. They bitch and complain about the way things are done but they never do anything about it. Speak up, back up your beliefs and run for council," he said.

"We need more people competing against incumbent councillors. Winning a seat will make them feel more accountable to the public."

The Town of Didsbury has created information packages to help inform those new to politics what being a councillor means and how to get started. The municipal office already has five people expressing interest in running against incumbents this October and a few people have picked up the packages.

The numbers are an improvement over the last election, according to chief returning officer, Luana Smith.

"Three years ago I did a lot of work and was really excited about the idea of seeing all these people run and all the councillors were acclaimed. This time

around it looks like there is a lot more interest in taking part," she said.

Incumbents Mayor Brian Wittal, Rick Mousseau, Gail Veno and Gayle Nowlan have all announced they'll be running again. Ernie Ryckman remains undecided.



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### Didsbury Lab

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"We have already gotten in contact with Mountain View Emergency Services so anyone who needs urgent blood tests – like if they heart attack – can be taken directly to Olds or Calgary," Jackson said.

This is the second time in six months that the hospital has had to postpone services because of the loss of staff. In December, the outpatient physiotherapist resigned, prompting the hospital to send residents to the Olds Hospital or a clinic in Airdrie for treatment.

The hospital was hoping to fill the position by spring or summer but spokespeople for Alberta Health Services were unsure if that had been done.

Boechler isn't surprised at the state of affairs and anticipates a lot more staffing shortages in the

coming years at small sites like Didsbury.


Departments in rural centres have small employee numbers as it is, so to lose just a couple is a real challenge. The hospital can't overwork the

remaining staff and it takes time to find people willing to move to a small town.

Vulcan, Alta. has three lab technicians and one retired last Friday, putting that hospital in the

same situation as Didsbury.

"I think we are going to see a lot more of this so it's good that we are looking into alternatives now like iSTATs or point of care testing."



**DIDSBURY LIONS CLUB SOAP BOX DERBY 2010**

Didsbury Lions Club thanks all the participants and supervising adults who helped make this year's event so successful. Thank you to those parents who helped load cars onto the starting ramp. The weather cooperated this year and allowed us to complete the event in full sunshine.

We had 23 entrants this year and everyone seems to have had a great time. Everyone who won a race went home with a cash prize. Thanks to Reimer International for the donation to cover the cost of the prizes and the use of his business area. AG Foods and Don's World Travel donated the cost of a burger and drink for all of the contestants. Contemporary Graphics, RBC Financial, Persimmon Patch, Fountain Tire, For Trees Company, Didsbury Drugs, and Didsbury Dry Cleaners combined to donate T-shirts to all Contestants. Parkland Agra Services donated the radio advertising. Value Drug Mart and Trewin Concrete donated the newspaper advertising. Thank you all for your support of this event.

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# Opinion

## Editorial

### Kids should stay active during the summertime

DAN SINGLETON

With the school holidays getting underway this week, parents and other caregivers across the region are no doubt working hard to plan out lots of summertime activities for their youngsters.

Whether it's summer camps, family camping trips or other such activities, the need to find something, anything, for the kids to do throughout the long July and August days is an annual summertime duty for adults everywhere.

Yet according to a new national survey far too many kids continue to spend their free time engaged in indoor activities such as playing video games and far too little time being physically active outdoors.

According to the 2010 Active Healthy Kids Canada Report Card, only half of kids age four and five, and only a third of kids aged two and three, are getting the two hours of daily physical activity they need to maintain good health.

And that can only mean health troubles down the road for those same youngsters when they reach their teen and adult years. For example, Health Canada says overweight children are four times more likely than normal weight kids to be overweight as adults, and that obese children have a 50 per cent increased risk of being obese as adults.

"Growing evidence shows that physical activity must be a fundamental part of the early life experience," says Dr. Mark Tremblay, chief scientific officer with Active Healthy Kids Canada, a child health promotion organization. "Unfortunately we know that many young kids are on the path to inactivity and obesity before they even begin school."

"Children under the age of five actually require plenty of active play for healthy physical, social, emotional and cognitive development."

There's no question that the growing prevalence of video games, the internet and other indoor, non-physical activities has made the job of parents and other caregivers interested in keeping their kids active harder than ever.

Yet the experts agree that any and all the effort spent getting youngsters off the couch and onto the playground is worthwhile, both in the short- and long-term.

"We assume that young children are full of energy and will just naturally be active, but that's not always the case," says Dr. Art Quinney, chairman of the Active Healthy Kids Canada.

The long summer days – when school is out and kids have lots of time on their hands – are an opportune time for youngsters to be socially, emotionally and physically active. West Central Alberta parents and other caregivers are encouraged to do what they can to make sure that time is used wisely this summer.

After all, healthy kids grow up to be healthy adults – and that's something that's good for everyone.



## Commentary

### Time to rethink RCMP's role

Twin reports issued two weeks ago by separate commissions of inquiry have taken the RCMP to task for the quality of its work, its perception in the public eye and the secretive, possessive nature of its hierarchy. The Braidwood inquiry, investigating the death of Robert Dziekanski, hit the nail on the head when it stated the "most important weapon in the arsenal of police is public support." A second statement from the Air India commission's final report, recommending the RCMP pull out of the business of contract policing, is worthy of some consideration.

Both Thomas Braidwood in the Dziekanski case and John Major in the Air India bombings pulled no punches when taking the RCMP to task for its behaviour and actions in both cases. The murder of 331 people in separate airline bombings in the mid-1980s and the death of a Polish immigrant at the hands of police are wildly different, separated not just by more than 20 years but by their very nature, but some parallels in the RCMP's conduct have been noted, giving Major's recommendation more weight. As it stands, the RCMP is a sprawling police organization tasked with dozens of responsibilities from protecting national security to municipal policing in small hamlets and villages across Canada, except in Ontario and Quebec. In the last 10 years it seems like it has been perpetually plagued with scandal, from pension fraud to Maher Arar's embarrassing fiasco to the events listed above. Only recently has the Commissioner of the RCMP, William Elliot, finally caved to the growing public demand that officers stop investigating their own when they are suspected of committing crimes.

It is noted in both reports that the organization's over-riding interest is often protecting its own people and its own turf. Numerous nuggets of incorrect information were knowingly allowed to stand without correction in Dziekanski's case in the days following his death. An email tendered late in the Braidwood hearings shattered the Mounties' story that none of the four officers had decided before confronting Dziekanski to use a Taser on

him. In the case of Air India, though they are not solely to blame. The RCMP refused to share information with the fledgling CSIS, even though many of its members were former Mounties. Officers treated clandestine sources like street-criminal snitches and stuck to supposedly "tried and true" policing methods while the larger scope of the crime – a network of terrorists that brought down an airliner – seemed to elude them. Numerous RCMP errors that were covered up also contributed to the failure of the government to bring those responsible to justice.

If the RCMP is going to concern itself with national interests, it stands to reason it should consider restricting its focus to that domain and contemplate other models for community policing. At present, the provinces and individual municipalities contract the force to provide a police presence, with the exceptions of Ontario and Quebec. Ontario has a provincial force and individual municipal policing entities. While the Alberta Provincial Police ceased to exist in 1932, there have been repeated calls for its resurrection. When the Provincial Police Services Agreement expires in 2012, it might be time to explore models similar to those in Ontario and Quebec. The financial repercussions of creating new police forces might make the entire exercise seem too expensive, but the public trust shouldn't have a price tag.

Ultimately the RCMP does good work in our community and in municipalities across the country. Yet every single hit to its credibility impacts the public's belief in its abilities, openness and accountability, and there have been many in just the last decade. The people need to be able to trust and support their police force, which is becoming increasingly difficult with each new scandal. If the RCMP is a national police force, perhaps we should simply let it be one and leave community policing up to the provinces and municipalities. The history and tradition of the RCMP are rich and meaningful, but the present might require a different policing approach.

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# Town of Didsbury

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## PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

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Tuesday, June 29, 2010 & July 20, 2010 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, July 7, 2010 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers

*The Town Office will be closed on July 9, 2010 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm*

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*Alana Gibson, Development Officer*

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Please submit applications for these vacancies no later than **Friday, July 16, 2010** to the following:


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Town of Didsbury  
Box 790  
Didsbury, AB T0M 0W0  
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Planning & Infrastructure	403-335-3391
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One Simple Act at [www.onesimpleact.ca](http://www.onesimpleact.ca)

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Black Bin Green Bin

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## Rollout Cart Schedule August 2010

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# This ride is for you, dad

Motorcyclists thunder into Didsbury to raise money for prostate cancer

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Her dad taught her many things, but it was his last lesson that had Leslie Strachuk revving her engine during the Rural Ride for Dad, Saturday.

Her father, Doug Page, died last July after a 12-year battle with prostate cancer but not before he tried to educate other men about merits of prostate testing.

"He tattooed this knot on the top of his wrist, the symbol of prostate cancer, to get attention for the cause," Strachuk said.

"It worked. He was a straitlaced schoolteacher who always wore these nice suits, so a tattoo looked totally out of place. People asked him about it."

Over a decade ago, her father went to his doctor with an overactive bladder and was told that's all it was. It wasn't until he got a second opinion, a year later, he discovered he had prostate cancer. He was 50 years old. The disease had spread and doctors couldn't operate.

"If only my dad knew more about prostate cancer so he could have challenged that first doctor or push for a sec-

ond opinion right away, he might be alive today," Strachuk said.

Instead of simply mourning, she has been telling her dad's story and spreading the word about the importance of prostate testing. She won top female rider in the Rural Ride for Dad event last weekend, for raising \$2,700 for the cause.

"I wanted to do this no matter what ... for my dad, and I'll do it every year after," she said.

It was a tough, emotional ride this year from Sylvan Lake to Red Deer and Rocky Mountain House. Strachuk couldn't help but think about her dad and how much he'd enjoy the scenery. "Everything reminded me of him. At one point I even saw this bird fly near us and I thought, 'there's dad,'" she said.

"We were just so close and this felt like one more thing to bring us closer together." Strachuk wasn't the only person cruising for a loved one.

Over 90 riders and volun-

teers turned out to the Saturday event to raise money for prostate cancer research and help generate buzz about the disease. Each had a story to tell about why they were there.

Fran Murphy lost her "husband and best friend", Frank, to the cancer five years ago.

"It's good to see how many young people are out here today, that tells me the word is getting out there," she said.

"No one should think they're exempt."

The Rural Ride for Dad had bikers thundering along routes near Red Deer, High River and Olds before circling back to Didsbury for food and prizes.

Organizers had hoped for over 200 riders and got less than half of that.

"It's this great weather," said Dean Harper, ride captain.

"Farmers have had such lousy weather that with this sun, they want to be out there working the fields. They really make up our numbers so we felt the loss."



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Motorcyclists parade into Didsbury during the Rural Ride for Dad, Saturday afternoon.

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Leslie Strachuk rode in memory of her dad, Doug, who died last year.

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 Saturday July 24 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



# Volunteer snags win

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

For the first time in 19 years, the Didsbury Hospital gave two citizens the highest recognition for volunteer work.

"There are lots of people who do outstanding work and then there are those who shine and this year that's Karen Betteridge and Mary Lynne Leggette," said Dawna Faryna, volunteer coordinator.

"They've contributed over 1,500 hours to making this hospital a home for residents."

Betteridge, a 73-year-old with developmental disabilities, wiped away tears streaming down her face as she and her support worker, Leggette, went up to accept their Volunteer of the Year awards. Over 50 other volunteers who gathered for a volunteer appreciation night, Wednesday, erupted into applause.

It was a magical moment for Betteridge, who was still "walking on air" two days later when she did her morning rounds in Unit 4.

Dressed in a soft pastel suit, with eyes sparkling, she rushed up to each member of the nursing staff to tell them the news.

"I won. I'm the volunteer of the year," she called out, offering her hand up for a shake.

She always got the reac-

tion she wanted - hugs and loud cheers.

"They really enjoy having her here ... she never feels underappreciated," said Leggette as she walked with Betteridge through the hospital, feeding fish and filling cat bowls with fresh water.

The two have been volunteering at the hospital for nearly a decade by looking after the institution's pets. Occasionally they'll help roll wheel-chair-bound patients into another unit for an event or collect recycling. And if there's music playing Betteridge will treat the residents to a solo dance performance.

When she isn't taking care of pets or chatting with resident patients, Betteridge is volunteering at the Didsbury Library or the Knox United Thrift Store. Her days are busy to say the least, Leggette said.

"Karen has wonderful skills and she loves to help, she just needs extra hands to do some things."

Leggette doesn't consider herself a volunteer and was surprised to win the award.

"I'm just doing my job ... I'm paid to be here and make sure my client stays connected to the community," she said.

Volunteer coordinator, Dawna Faryna, disagrees.

Leggette doesn't just sit back and let Betteridge do all the work.

"She gets right in there

and helps Karen do all the things she can't - like cleaning out the fish tank. Mary Lynne has gotten really good at that."

"She deserves just as much recognition as a volunteer because of that."

Leggette says they intend to continue on at the hospital for as long as Betteridge keeps her interest. That could be awhile.

"I asked Karen if she wants to do something else, other than the hospital, and she said no way. She doesn't ever want to give it up," Leggette said.



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Karen Betteridge and Mary Lynne Leggette won Volunteer of the Year awards.



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<p><b>Knox United Didsbury</b> 1406 - 19th Avenue Minister Nancy Nourse Please join our church family for worship, 10 a.m. each Sunday, Nursery Care available for infants and toddlers. Sunday school provided for ages 3-17. For information about mid-week programming for children, youth and adults please call 403-335-8373 or see our website at <a href="http://www.knox-united.com">www.knox-united.com</a>.</p>	<p><b>Redeemer Lutheran</b> LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA 1500 - 23 ST. • Rev. Robert Mohs Church: 403-335-3161 / Res: 403-335-3656 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. • Worship - 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion 1 &amp; 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m. Jr. &amp; St. Youth, Women's &amp; Seniors' Ministry Group Small Group Bible Study meetings throughout the week.</p>	<p><b>Chinook Winds Christian Centre</b> 1710 - 14th Street Didsbury SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10 a.m. Dynamic Worship and Bible Teaching Children's Ministry &amp; Nursery Services Ph/Fax: 403-335-3551 • Email: <a href="mailto:cwcc@airenet.com">cwcc@airenet.com</a> Senior Pastors: Richard &amp; Beth Kope Associate Pastors: Corey &amp; Erin Kope Celebrating 25 years in Didsbury Members of Ministers Fellowship International</p>
<p><b>West Zion Mennonite Church</b> South of Didsbury to sign - West 1.5 miles Pastor Trevor Kriaka, info - 403-337-2020 Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Nursery available during service. EVERYONE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church</b> 14 km East of Didsbury Pastor Art Numan Office: 403-335-4422 Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m. For information concerning the weekly activities please call the Church Office.</p>	<p><b>Zion Evangelical Missionary Church</b> Corner Hwy. 582 &amp; 20th Ave. Phone: 403-335-3629 Web: <a href="http://www.zemc.org">www.zemc.org</a> Mike Morgan, Senior Pastor John Reimer, Associate Pastor (Life Groups &amp; Worship) Colin Creighton, Associate Pastor (Global Connections &amp; Youth) Alison LeFebvre, Director of Youth Ministries Christine Little, Director of Children's Ministries Sunday Services Sunday School for all ages 9:30am Worship Service 10:45 a.m. ...with Children's Programs for up to Grade 6</p>

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### In and Around Didsbury

Marge St Clair

#### Wednesday- June 30

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#### Thursday- July 1

The Annual Fun Fly will start at 12:00 noon at the airfield N.W. of town, bring your lawn chair, have a light snack and enjoy all the activity up to 4:00 pm.

#### Thursday- July 1

The season for the Farmers' Market will open today from 4 pm. till 8 pm. at the Curling Rink. Then the Market will be held from 5 pm.-7 pm. on WEDNESDAYS in the Curling Rink. Laura at 403-335-4252 or Jean at 403-335-8123 are in charge of table rentals.

#### Wednesday- July 7

Hopefully you have phoned Bea at 403-335-3058 to reserve your seat on the Community Bus going to the Ellis Bird Farm east of Red Deer. The bus will be leaving the complex at 9:00 am. You will be given a tour and have lunch in the Tea Room.

#### Thursday- July 8

A Red Cross Babysitting Course is being held from 8:00 am.- 4:00 pm. at Didsbury Neighborhood Place. You must be 14 yrs. of age or older. More details by phoning 403-335-8719 and to register.

#### Saturday- July 10

The annual Mr. & Mrs. And His/Her Golf Tournament will be held today at the Didsbury Golf Course. Phone the clubhouse 403-335-3635 to enter.

#### Sunday- July 11

The Elks are having the Annual Charity Tournament today. Enter while you are there golfing or phone the clubhouse 403-335-3635.

#### Tuesday- July 13

This is Seniors day at the Stampede, the Community Bus will leave the Complex at 9:30 am. Phone Bea at 403-335-3058 for all the details.

#### July 12-16th

Knox United Church proudly presents a "Kids Quest Summer Adventure" from 9:00 am.- 12 noon for children 5 yrs. up to 12 yrs. This will be a fun packed week of Treasure Hunting, Olympic Games, Super Heroes and more! Please pre-register by phoning Janice Fifield at 403-335-3140.

#### July 23-25

The Redeemer Lutheran Church will hold Vacation Bible School on Friday, July 23 6:15 pm.- 8:00 pm. Saturday July 24 10:00 am.- 3:00 pm. Open to boys and girls kindergarten to Grade 5. Please pre-register by phoning the church 403-335-3656, or more info 403-335-3178

#### Please circle these dates on your calendar.

Zion Evangelical Missionary Church will hold Vacation Bible School from Aug. 15th- 20th with Worship Service at 10:00 am. on Aug. 15th and the evening concert on Aug. 20. Ages 3 yrs. to Grade 6 welcome, please pre-register by phoning the church 403-335-3629.

## Community briefs

# Helipad decision raises brows

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Town administrators are looking for answers after Alberta Health Services landed a decision not to include the Didsbury helipad in its capital budget.

"This was news to me and I hadn't heard it from them," said Mayor Brian Wittal, who read the announcement in the Didsbury Review earlier this month.

"I want to find out more about why it didn't make the list, what the budget restraints are and what we can do to bring this forward."

Wittal said he's "not happy that AHS couldn't throw \$100,000 to fix the helipad and call it good" but neither is

he surprised.

Alberta Health Services is running a high deficit, he said.

Eight months after AHS 'temporarily' shut down the pad, the medical super-board said it was postponing fixes this year because it didn't have enough dollars to bring the pad up to snuff with federal regulations. It's surrounded by facilities like the Aspen Ridge Lodge that make it dangerous for aircraft to land and needs to be moved.

"That's not to say it won't ever happen," said Sheila Rougeau, of the helipad fix.

"I believe someone from Didsbury asked AHS if it was possible for the community to do fundraising and absolutely, AHS would gladly enter those discussions," said Sheila Rougeau, spokesper-

son for AHS.

But Wittal says they want to exhaust all avenues before looking to the community for funds.

"This is supposed to be their responsibility, not ours ... we don't want to start paying for health facilities," Wittal said.

Clem Kuelker, president of the Rosebud Health Foundation, agrees.

"It's not in our mandate to help to raise money for something on this scale ... \$100,000, that's a lot of money."

Town administrators are sending a letter to Gene Zwodzesky, Alberta's minister of health and wellness, to express concern about the capital budget and calling Alberta Health Services for more answers.

## Taxpayers could foot museum bills

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

Taxpayers could be footing the bill for the Didsbury Museum if Chinook's Edge School Division approves the transfer of ownership this fall.

School trustees heard the town's proposal last week to take over the upkeep of the old schoolhouse on 21st Avenue. It's a solution to the museum's woes, Mayor Brian Wittal told the board.

"Volunteers should just be focused on displays and bringing people in here but instead they are doing the electrical work, trimming the hedges and fixing the windows," Wittal said. "It's really beyond their scope."

Board members have been paying out of pocket to keep the museum going for the last three decades.

They ran the building for 32 years before purchasing it from Chinook's Edge in 2007.

The only stipulation of the purchase was that if the museum decided to sell, they'd give the school the first right of refusal.

"It was there to protect the property from development ... we asked them to consider transferring the ownership to the town and apply that same caveat with us," Wittal said.

"We'd still preserve the building. We just want to take away some of the work from the museum board."

The town would hire contractors to fix the building to historical standards and apply for matching grants. That would mean some cost to taxpayers, "but I think this facility is important and it should be the responsibility of all taxpayers to ensure that thing is kept and maintained properly," Wittal said.

Frankie Kelly, president of the historical society, said she is all for the change.

There shouldn't be any risk. The building is protected as a historical resource and can't be changed unless the town gets permission from the federal government. The society also plans to ask for documentation ensuring a permanent home for the society and its works inside the building.

"I really think this could be a win-win for everyone," she said.

School trustees, however, kept their cards close to their chests during the meeting. Ian Taylor, chair, was one of the few who spoke up about ownership transfer. He expressed concern newly elected councillors may not give the museum the same support.

Trustees will make a final decision at their next meeting in September.

"(The school board) is the only challenge in getting this thing started ... am I worried? No," Wittal said.

"I think they are supportive. They know the building will be protected and preserved and that we'd have a long-time agreement to lease it to the historical society."

## Didsbury High scouts for coaches

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

two teams - up from the usual one.

"Every two years or so we get this big group of athletes from Westgren. This will be one of those times," Bates said.

Usually the athletic program draws from available teachers but there's not enough help to handle this influx of students. The school will need coaches to lead the Dragons' JV

boys volleyball, JV girls volleyball and JV girls basketball teams.

"We know it's tough to get volunteers anywhere so we are trying to be proactive on this. The seasons don't start until next fall," Bates said.

The commitment is at least four days a week between tournaments, games and practices and volunteers will have to

get a criminal record check.

"This is a big commitment, we know that, but we hope people will see this as connecting to the community and getting to know our kids."

The Dragons have historically torched opponents. The JV boys basketball team was unbeatable during the regular season in 2008. They placed second in zones and won the 2A tournament by 40 points the following year.

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Bob Jepps and Eric McTaggart get in some lawn bowling practice at the Didsbury and District Bowling Greens last week.

## Clubhouse reopens

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Review Staff

If you don't know jack, don't worry.

Long-time bowlers will be at the Didsbury Lawn Bowling club this Monday to show newcomers how the sport is played.

"The hardest part is getting people out ... but once they're here and bowling, they love it. They keep coming back," said Eric McTaggart, organizer.

The Didsbury Lawn Bowling Club is opening for the first time in three years with the hope that the genteel game can be revitalized.

It shuttered in 2007 when the grey-haired set lost interest in the game and fewer volunteers turned out to help with maintenance.

This time the club is turning to a younger bunch of bowlers – a trend that's rolling out in several communities across the province.

Phil Orcheski, executive director of the Lawn Bowling Association of Alberta, said interest is drooping each year. This summer the association has tallied 550 members, down five per cent from 2009.

"I think we all know that if we don't get younger people out – those in their 30s, 40s and 50s – this sport is going to die. They are the people who'll keep this going."

Clubs have tried to entice younger players with everything from speed-dating games and barbecue nights to beer league tourna-

ments and corporate team building exercises.

The Calgary Lawn Bowling Association has been hosting stags at its club for the last year.

"I think men feel they are all on the same page with this sport. Not everyone can play a game of golf but everyone can throw a ball ... they seem to have tons of fun," said Heather Mackie, junior coordinator for the Calgary club.

The Didsbury club isn't offering up stags yet – but it could.

McTaggart wants to put a board together this fall to help plan club offerings. For now, he's looking to win new members by giving out free lawn time.

Jen Bommarito, 37, has been watching organizers groom the lawn for the last two years and is eager to test it out.

"I kept wondering when it'd be ready. I have no idea how to play but I always thought that it looked like fun," she said.

Bommarito isn't sure what the uptake will be from other young people. When she tells her friends she's going to test out the sport they laugh.

"They say I'm not old enough ... I don't think they know the club is interested in younger people playing."

The introductory night starts at 7 p.m. July 5 at the Didsbury Curling Club on 22nd Avenue, behind the Didsbury Memorial Complex. The grand opening will be at 2 p.m. on July 10. Everyone is welcome and should bring flat-soled shoes.

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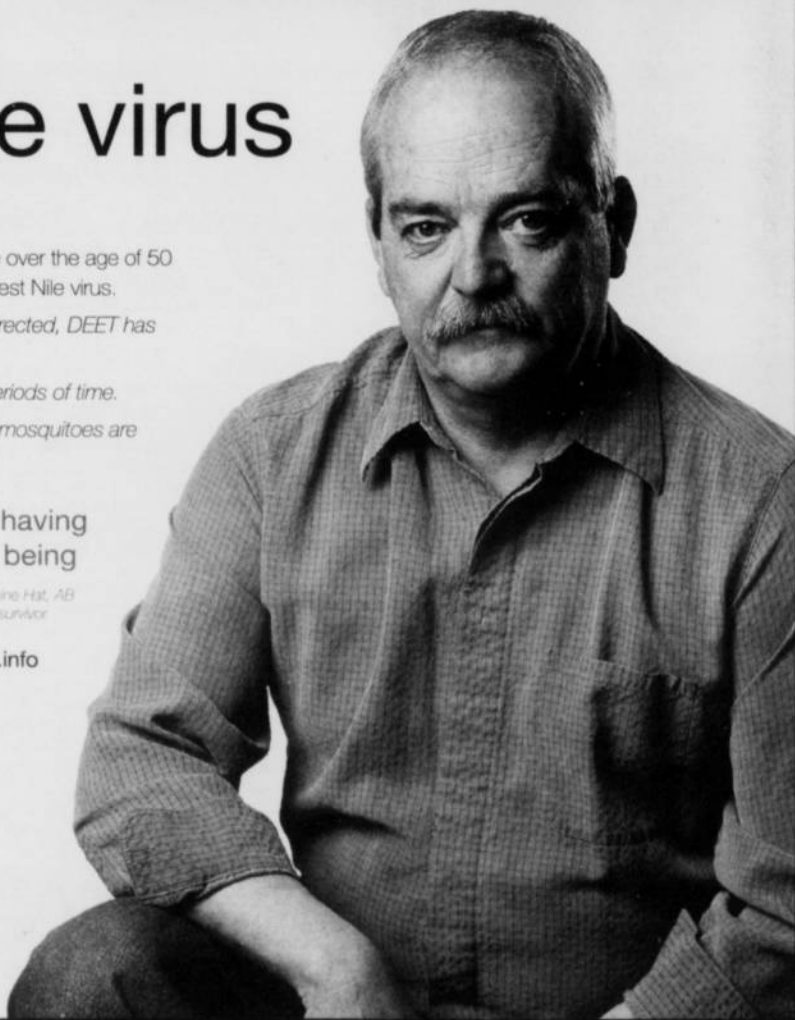
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**MCNAUGHTAN - Catherine Mary**  
 (nee Yellowlees)  
 June 13, 1920 - June 26, 2010  
 Catherine McNaughtan beloved wife of John McNaughtan of Calgary passed away on June 26, 2010 at the age of 90 years. Catherine was raised on a farm near Acme, Alberta. She was a proud Graduate from the Calgary General Hospital Nursing Program in 1944. After becoming a Registered Nurse she worked for the Victorian Order of Nurses and as the school nurse at Olds College. Catherine married John McNaughtan of Braco, Scotland in 1948 and they recently celebrated sixty-one years of marriage. They farmed near Didsbury and Carstairs from 1951 until 1982, when they retired to Didsbury and later Calgary. Catherine was predeceased by her loving husband John. She is loved and missed by her four children and two sons in law, Margaret McNaughtan of New Westminster, BC; Sheila McNaughtan and Russell Heppell of Edmonton, AB; John "Ian" McNaughtan of Sydney, Australia; Elizabeth "Bea" McNaughtan and Joel Mayer of Calgary, AB. She is also survived by her sister in law Edna Yellowlees and her family. Catherine was predeceased by her brother John Yellowlees. Funeral Services will be held at Knox United Church, 1406 - 19 Ave. Didsbury, AB on Wednesday, June 30, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. Forward condolences through www.mcinnisandholloway.com. If friends so desire memorial donations may be made directly to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta Donations Department 100-119 14 Street NW, Calgary, Alberta, T2N 1Z6. Telephone 1.888.473.4636. In living memory of Catherine McNaughtan, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Chapel of the Bells, 2720 CENTRE STREET NORTH, CALGARY, AB T2E 2V6 Telephone: 1-800-661-1599.

**CARLETON, Mary Helen**  
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 Mary (nee Pratt) Carleton was called Home to Heaven on June 18, 2010 in Abbotsford, BC at 86 years of age, following a battle with cancer. Mary was born in Eastend, Saskatchewan and raised on the family farm near Ravenscrag. She met Ralph in the summer of 1941. They were married on April 24, 1946, following Ralph's army service (1942-1945) and graduation from Bible school. They spent the next 62 years of their lives together, loving and serving others. After pastoring with the United Church of Canada in rural Saskatchewan for some years, Ralph and Mary farmed in Ravenscrag, SK (1954-1961) and Cremona, AB (1961-1998). In November of 1998 they moved to Abbotsford to be near their eldest son, whose health was declining due to multiple sclerosis. Mary was predeceased by her loving husband Ralph (March 8, 2009) and son Ron (January 5, 2003). She is survived by her daughter Rose Carleton, son Neil (Valerie) Carleton, daughter-in-law Gladys (Ken) Reeve, foster son Peter (Carol) McNairn, granddaughters Nikki Carleton, Emmy (Jason) Epp and Coralie Carleton, and grandsons Logan and Landon McNairn. A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Mary will be held on Friday, July 9, at 2:00 pm at Bethel Church, located on Highway 580 mid-way between Carstairs and Cremona, at the intersection of Hwy 580 and Range Road 30. Family members from Abbotsford and Calgary look forward to greeting Alberta friends on this special occasion.

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## BRAUN, May Ellen



Mrs. May Ellen Braun formerly of Didsbury passed away peacefully at the Peter Lougheed Hospital on June 21, 2010 at the age of 75 years. Since her husband Hank's passing in 2008, May has resided at the Hillcrest Long Term Care facility in Calgary.

to be close to her daughters, Lynn, Christie and Debbie.

Born in Carberry, MB on Feb. 13, 1935, May was the youngest child of Ella & William Seaman. She graduated high school in Edrans, MB. May married Hank Braun at Edrans on Oct. 24, 1953. Shortly after, they moved to Virden, MB. They had three children, Dale, Lynn and Craig in Virden. Hank worked for Canadian Superior Oilfield and they transferred to Didsbury in 1963. May was a stay at home housewife and mother which she enjoyed. Her love of children led her to take in foster children. Most newborns in the County that were up for adoption went to Mom's house. Not able to part with some, 4 were adopted - Mike, Christie, Claudette & Debbie. May had hundreds of foster children of all ages pass through their home as well as many children and grandchildren that she babysat.

May liked camping, hunting and fishing but she loved to cook and bake. In later years she baked twice weekly to supply fresh baking for the business people in Didsbury, which Dad would drop off. May was an active member of the Olds Legion and the Didsbury Royal Purple. May & Hank ran the bingo for 13 years. May enjoyed going back to Manitoba in the summers every other year to visit family. In Alberta, her favorite place was Pine Lake, where the family spent a lot of time. She was a kind, gentle, fun-loving woman with an incredibly big heart.

May is survived by her sister Elsie of Portage La Prairie, Mb; children Dale (Stan) of Sundre, Lynn (Garry) of Calgary, Craig (Val) of Sherwood Park, Mike (Jodi) of Edmonton, Christie of Calgary, Claudette of Red Deer, and Debbie of Calgary; 8 grandchildren, Bill, Neil, Joe, Brandy, Rob, Dalton, Brandon and Courtney; 7 great grandchildren and many foster children and foster grandchildren too numerous to mention. She was predeceased by her husband Hank, brother Bud in WW2, her parents, her brother Gord and her sisters Hazel, Vivian and Lucy. A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, June 29 at 2:00pm at Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury. Memorial Donations may be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from [www.mountainviewfuneralchapel.com](http://www.mountainviewfuneralchapel.com). Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury. Phone: 403-335-4773.

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<p><b>1202 - 20 Street</b> Great opportunity to finish a renovation project and build some equity. 1 + 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, wood stove, garage and carport.</p>  <p><b>\$179,900</b></p>	<p><b>36 Westpoint Drive</b> Gorgeous custom built home, over 1500 sq ft, hardwood, gas fireplace, amazing kitchen, fully finished, excellent location!</p>  <p><b>\$409,900</b></p>	<p><b>13 Princess Petra Avenue</b> Great townhouse with no condo fees! 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, newer flooring, kitchen, air conditioning in bedrooms, affordable!</p>  <p><b>\$179,900</b></p>	<p><b>1909 - 17 Street</b> Lovely maintenance free living, new hardwood floors, new paint and baseboards, 2 bedrooms, main floor laundry, double garage, reasonable HOA fees</p>  <p><b>\$234,900</b></p>	<p><b>2508 - 15 Avenue</b> Very well maintained, over 1400 sq ft, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 sided fireplace, main floor laundry, composite deck</p>  <p><b>\$279,900</b></p>	<p><b>2106 - 18 Avenue</b> Great 1st time or revenue home, fully developed, mostly new windows on main, new shingles coming, great yard, patio with fabric gazebo</p>  <p><b>\$236,900</b></p>
<p><b>106 Westhill Close</b> over 1400 sq ft, total of 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, oversized double garage, excellent location, needs a handy person's touch</p>  <p><b>\$229,000</b></p>	<p><b>306 Westhill Close</b> Fully developed, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 baths, main floor family room, fireplace, jetted tub, double decker garage, great location</p>  <p><b>\$299,900</b></p>	<p><b>3.01 Acres Ready For Your Dream Home!</b> Drilled well, fenced perimeter, centrally located just 7 minutes west of Olds</p>  <p><b>\$214,900</b></p>	<p><b>2125 - 25 Avenue</b> Great newer family home that is affordable, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, corner gas fireplace, covered front entry, tiered rear deck, nice area</p>  <p><b>\$269,900</b></p>	<p><b>#67, Didsbury Mobile Home Park</b> Beautiful home on rented lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, 1216 sq ft, only 3 years old, reasonable lot rent.</p>  <p><b>\$99,900</b></p>	<p><b>2106 - 14 Avenue</b> Family home, over 1300 sq ft, main floor family room, main floor laundry, R.V. parking, single garage, quiet street</p>  <p><b>\$249,900</b></p>



**THE PORCH BOYZ**

We'll make sure all of the "eyes" are dotted and the "tees" crossed!

<p><b>#2, 5017 - 48 Street, Olds</b> Newer condo with 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, open floor plan, 5 appliances, centrally located</p>  <p><b>\$214,900</b></p>	<p><b>2114 - 16 Avenue</b> Calling all first time buyers or investors! 3 + 1 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, super location, single garage, large lot, great potential</p>  <p><b>\$199,900</b></p>	<p><b>2 Westheights Crescent</b> Over 1500 sq ft on the main! 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, great oak kitchen, main floor laundry, wood stove, R.V. parking, excellent location on park</p>  <p><b>\$319,900</b></p>	<p><b>2 Park Place</b> Great family home, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, many upgrades, gorgeous maple kitchen, main floor laundry, double garage, &amp; more!</p>  <p><b>\$278,800</b></p>	<p><b>1 Valarosa Point</b> Beautiful modified hi-level, 1382 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, 3 sided gas fireplace, walk-in closet, much more</p>  <p><b>\$329,900</b></p>	<p><b>9 Southridge Crescent</b> Affordable mobile home on its own lot backing onto cowlee park</p>  <p><b>\$74,900</b></p>
<p><b>1155 Kildeer Close</b> Over 2100 sq ft or "More", very nice floor plan, gas fireplace, hardwood, beautiful kitchen, fully developed walk-out basement, country view, and much more!</p>  <p><b>\$449,900</b></p>	<p><b>79 Westpoint Drive</b> Wonderful family home, hardwood, main floor laundry, built-in kitchen, spacious developed basement, new siding, preferred location, move-in ready</p>  <p><b>\$349,900</b></p>	<p><b>2037 - 18 Avenue</b> Affordable home, total of 4 bedrooms, fireplace, original hardwood, jetted tub, newer basement, single attached and newer located double detached garages</p>  <p><b>\$229,900</b></p>	<p><b>1403B - 18 Avenue</b> Totally full duplex, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, laminate floors, fully finished, double detached garage, also heated pool</p>  <p><b>\$247,500</b></p>	<p><b>28 Westheights Crescent</b> well built home in desirable area, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, jetted tub, main floor laundry, lot and large rear deck, nice yard</p>  <p><b>\$269,900</b></p>	<p><b>2101 - 25 Avenue</b> Beautiful newer home, hardwood, large island, granite counters, fireplace, fully finished, large rear deck also covered front deck, and more!</p>  <p><b>\$309,900</b></p>

<p><b>207 Campus Green</b> Beautiful condo suite, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, corner unit with wrap-around balcony, heated parking, excellent condition, super view!</p>  <p><b>\$217,900</b></p>	<p><b>39 Meadowview Court</b> Let your tenant help pay the mortgage! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, gas fireplace, self contained 2 bedroom basement suite, large double garage, big lot</p>  <p><b>\$359,900</b></p>	<p><b>18 Valarosa Cove</b> Brand new and Beautiful! over 1600 sq ft, hardwood, gas fireplace, open plan, 9' ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, walk-out basement, and much more!</p>  <p><b>\$324,900</b></p>
<p><b>2135 - 18 Avenue</b> solid home on a large lot in established area, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large sun room can be used year round, single garage</p>  <p><b>\$239,900</b></p>	<p><b>304 Campus Green</b> corner unit with partly glassed in wrap-around balcony, 2 bedrooms, open floor plan, oak cabinetry, heated parking, great community in this building!</p>  <p><b>\$199,900</b></p>	<p><b>1301 - 24 Street</b> 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, bright country kitchen, drilled well, pellet stove in basement family room, direct access to large double garage, nice courtyard area</p>  <p><b>\$256,900</b></p>

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